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Remarks

Reconsideration of the above-captioned application is respectfully requested. Claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 as being anticipated by Han et al., USPP 2002/0051242, and Claims 2 and 3 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Han in view of Zechleitner, USPN 7,142,334. Claims 6, 9, 11, and 14-17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Han in view of Mangerson, USPN 6,504,138. Claims 11 and 12 (sic, 12 and 13?) have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over Han in view of Mangerson and Zechleitner.

To overcome the rejections, Claim 1 has been amended to recite that the processor automatically executes the character recognition module upon scanning a document and stores the electronic text in the HDD, without the need for a user command, and the system does not have a user input device as disclosed on page 5, line 1. None of the references appear to show a device that omits a user input device. The rejection is overcome.

Independent Claims 8 and 10 have been canceled and Claims 2 and 13 have been rewritten in independent form, so that a subsequent rejection of either claim based on new reference(s) must not be made final, MPEP §706.07(c).

The allegation on page 4 of the Office Action that Zechleitner, col. 10, line 64 - col. 11, line 4 teaches a driver for a HDD is incorrect. Element 42 in Zechleitner is an EEPROM, col. 10, line 43. Element 46 in Zechleitner likewise is not a HDD but rather is a RAM memory module, col. 11, line 18. Accordingly the finding of fact underlying the rejection that the combination of Han and Zechleitner would arrive at Claims 2 and 13 is clearly erroneous.

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The fact that Applicant has focussed its comments distinguishing the present claims from the applied references and countering certain rejections must not be construed as acquiescence in other portions of rejections not specifically addressed.

The Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned at (619) 338-8075 for any reason which would advance the instant application to allowance.

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